

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
DALLAS DIVISION**

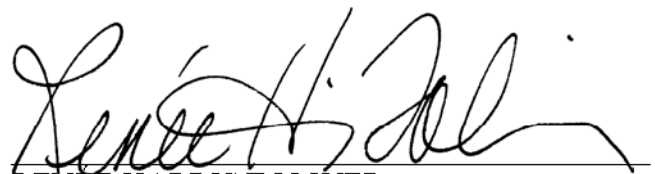
<b>UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,</b>	§	
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<b>v.</b>	§	<b>CRIMINAL NO. 3:09-CR-0294-M-1</b>
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<b>HOSAM MAHER HUSEIN SMADI,</b>	§	
<b>Defendant.</b>	§	

**ORDER**

Before the Court is Defendant's October 13, 2016, *pro se* motion requesting a copy of the government's sentencing brief/memorandum. [Doc. 122](#); [Doc. 123](#). Defendant states that he needs to review the sentencing brief/memorandum because he is "in the process of appealing" his case. [Doc. 122 at 1](#).

Defendant's motion is **DENIED**. A review of the docket sheet reveals that no such brief was filed. Nevertheless, a criminal defendant is not entitled to a copy of court proceedings at government expense to peruse the record for possible grounds for habeas corpus relief. *See United States v. MacCollom*, 426 U.S. 317, 325-326 (1976); *Cowan v. United States*, 445 F.2d 855, 855 (5th Cir. 1971) (per curiam). Defendant is advised, however, that he is not required to file transcripts or any other pleadings with any habeas petition or [section 2255](#) motion to vacate sentence.

**SO ORDERED** November 9, 2016.

  
RENEE HARRIS TOLIVER  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE